



General Assembly

***Substitute Bill No. 6610***

*January Session, 2003*

***AN ACT CONCERNING A PILOT PROGRAM OF NEUROFEEDBACK THERAPY.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective July 1, 2003*) The Department of Public  
2   Health, in consultation with the Department of Education, may  
3   establish, within available appropriations, a neurofeedback pilot  
4   program for the 2003-2004 school year for forty elementary school  
5   students. The pilot program shall (1) operate for a period of one year in  
6   a school district of a town not below the ninety-fifth percentile when  
7   all towns are ranked from high to low based on the amount of special  
8   education funding each town receives from the state, and (2) be  
9   administered by a licensed psychologist trained in neurofeedback  
10   therapy. Local or regional boards of education interested in  
11   participating in the pilot program shall apply to the Department of  
12   Public Health at such time and in such manner as the Commissioner of  
13   Public Health prescribes. Not later than April 1, 2004, the  
14   commissioner shall provide a preliminary report, in accordance with  
15   section 11-4a of the general statutes, on the pilot program to the joint  
16   standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
17   matters relating to public health and education. Not later than  
18   September 1, 2004, the commissioner shall report, in accordance with  
19   section 11-4a of the general statutes, on the completed pilot program to  
20   the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having  
21   cognizance of matters relating to public health and education.

This act shall take effect as follows:
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